

TENNESSEE REPERTORY THEATRE: GARY HOFF

"How did theatrical design get this good on American stages?" So begins a note from the editor of *American Theatre* magazine to introduce six virtuoso designers from across the nation, including Nashville's Gary Hoff, head of design and resident scenic designer for Tennessee Repertory Theatre.

Hoff has created dozens of visually stunning productions for Tennessee Rep, plus he designs for Nashville Children's Theatre, the Nashville Shakespeare Festival and the Tennessee Shakespeare Festival. Hoff's creative vision is coupled with an extraordinary eye for detail, one that sets the stage and the mood to the delight of local artists and audiences.

"Gary's sets plant us firmly in the world of the story, whether it's a modern day realistic setting or a place of timeless imagination. His attention to detail and his ability to appropriately enhance presentations is second to none," says Evans Donnell, a longtime local theatre critic. "Gary's consistent, excellent work makes us very fortunate to have him in Nashville. Plenty of theaters around the country would love to have his designs on a regular basis."

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HOFF'S WORK MANIFEST ON STAGE



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